CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.

Losses by NTC

1642. SHRI SHANKER SINGH VAGHELA:

SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of losses incurred by the NTC and also loans advanced to it upto October 31, 1987;

(b) what steps were enforced to prevent losses;

(c) whether it is a fact that in spite of extending financial help, the losses of NTC mills are on the increase; if so, what are the conclusions drawn; and

(d) what is Government's plan to stop re-imbursing the continuing losses being incurred by the NTC?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) The cumulative losses incurred by the NTC nationalised and managed mills upto 31st October, 1987, work out to Rs. 1230.09 crores (provisional). Upto 31st October, 1987, an amount of Rs 1000 82 crores has been given to NTC as loan.

(b) and (c) The losses being incurred by NTC are increasing Some of the important steps taken/being taken to improve the performance of mills under NTC are as under:—

(i) Selective modernisation according to priorities to achieve optimum gains within available resources;

(ii) strict review of the performance of managers with reference to definite action plans;

(iii) greater enforcement of accountability of top managers;

(iv) review and strict control of various cost elements;

(v) infusing better management at all levels;

(vi) improvement in product-mix and greater marketing efforts to achieve better sales realisation rates;

(vii) strengthening of management information system for timely flow of information, effective review and decision-making;

(viii) speedy implementation of labour rationalisation;

(ix) effective implementation of workers participation in management so as to increase productivity;

(x) strict control and supervision on the filling up vacant posts; and

(xi) identifying the mills as profit centres and delegation of power and authority to the General Managers of the mills, with responsibility for performance.

(d) No such proposal is, at present, under consideration of the Government.

State Bank of Indore

1643. SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of cases pending/lost by the State Bank of Indore throughout India during the years 1983-1984-1985 and the amount involved;

(b) what are the reasons and the details thereof, yearwise; and

(c) what are the details of action taken by the management against the guilty officers/employees and lawyers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) to (c) Information available with the State Bank of Indore in respect of Civil Suits to which the Bank was a party, showing the number of Civil Suits pending, amount

involved and cases lost during the years 1983, 1984 and 1985 is set out below:—

Year	Civil Suits pending	Amount involved (in lakhs)	Number of cases lost
1983	409	504 77	..
1984	531	1197 24	..
1985	594	1264 12	..

Since no Civil Suit has been lost by the bank in the years 1983, 1984 and 1985, the question of taking actions on this account against any official/employee/ lawyer by the bank does not arise.

Amount siphoned-off out of India by way of 'hawala payments'

1644. SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA:
SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the press report to the effect that according to the Director General of the Central Economic Intelligence Bureau, nearly Rs. 1000 crore per year are being siphoned-off out of India by way of 'hawala payments';

(b) whether there is enough competent Government staff abroad to investigate into such cases and also appropriate arrangements with the concerned countries to apprehend the culprits and punish them and also for repatriation of the amounts to India; and

(c) if so, what are the details in this regard, and if not, what is the thinking of Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EXPENDITURE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI B K. GADHVI): (a) it is difficult to give an exact estimate on Hawala transaction. However, in an operation in Bombay by Central Economic Intelligence Bureau and Enforcement Directorate, 20 premises were searched on 27th June, 1987. As a result, several incriminating documents evidencing Hawala payments in violation of FERA amounting to about Rs. 30 crores were seized covering a period of 7 months only. The enforcement agencies remain vigilant to detect cases of Hawala transactions.

(b) and (c) The investigation in respect of Hawala payments are conducted in India and assistance of agencies/departments of Government of India set up abroad is also taken, whenever required This arrangement has worked satisfactorily.

Refusal of permission to foreigners for entry into Assam

1645. SHRI NAGEN SAIKIA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Professor C D Heimen Drof, the great anthropologist of this century, had not been allowed to enter into Meghalaya and to deliver a series of lectures in the NEHU in 1986.

(b) whether it is also a fact that George Gellapsy, a writer and a missionary of Baptist Mission was also debarred from entering Assam to attend the annual conference of Assam Sahitya Sabha in 1985;

(c) whether Government deem it fit to debar all foreign writers, Scientists or scholers from entering Assam; and

(d) what remedial measures would be taken by Government in this regard?